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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all other prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please cancel claims 1-13 and 24-33 without prejudice. Applicants would reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of such cancelled claims in a continuation application. Applicants have amended claims 15 and 16 to clarify the antecedent basis for the conditioning polymer and have added new claims 34-44. Support for the above amendments can be found on page 3, lines 28-29 and page 5, lines 29-30 of the specification and original claim 23.

Claims 1-13 (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Original) A method of conditioning, strengthening, or moisturizing the hair, said method comprising topically applying a composition comprises a conditioning polymer encapsulated in a lipid vesicle.

Claim 15. (Amended) A method of claim 14, wherein said conditioning polymer is a polyvinylpyrrolidone.

Claim 16. (Amended) A method of claim 14, wherein said conditioning polymer is a ~~polyoxyethylene-ether~~silicone polymer.

Claim 17. (Original) A method of claim 14, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises a dual chain lipid and a hydrophilic liquid.

Claim 18. (Original) A method of claim 15, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises a dual chain lipid and a hydrophilic liquid.

Claim 19. (Original) A method of claim 16, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises a dual chain lipid and a hydrophilic liquid.

Claim 20. (Original) A method of claim 17, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises:
(a) a dual chain lipid which is a glyceryl diester, an alkoxyated amine, or a mixture thereof;

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(b) a single chain lipid which is a glyceryl monoester, a polyoxyethylene fatty ether, or a mixture thereof;

(c) a sterol which is cholesterol; and

(d) a hydrophilic liquid which is water.

Claim 21. (Original) A method of claim 18, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises:

(a) a dual chain lipid which is a glyceryl diester, an alkoxylated amine, or a mixture thereof;

(b) a single chain lipid which is a glyceryl monoester, a polyoxyethylene fatty ether, or a mixture thereof;

(c) a sterol which is cholesterol; and

(d) a hydrophilic liquid which is water.

Claim 22. (Original) A method of claim 19, wherein said lipid vesicle comprises:

(a) a dual chain lipid which is a glyceryl diester, an alkoxylated amine, or a mixture thereof;

(b) a single chain lipid which is a glyceryl monoester, a polyoxyethylene fatty ether, or a mixture thereof;

(c) a sterol which is cholesterol; and

(d) a hydrophilic liquid which is water.

Claim 23. (Original) A method of claim 14, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent

Claims 24-33 (Cancelled)

Claim 34. (New) A method of claim 14, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 1000.

Claim 35. (New) A method of claim 15, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 1000.

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Claim 36. (New) A method of claim 16, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 1000.

Claim 37. (New) A method of claim 14, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 10,000.

Claim 38. (New) A method of claim 15, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 10,000.

Claim 39. (New) A method of claim 16, wherein said conditioning polymer has a molecular weight of at least 10,000.

Claim 40. (New) A method of claim 15, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent.

Claim 41. (New) A method of claim 16, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent.

Claim 42. (New) A method of claim 20, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent.

Claim 43. (New) A method of claim 21, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent.

Claim 44. (New) A method of claim 21, wherein said composition further comprises a detergent.